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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Mysore Government Commercial Examinations.

READ—

Government Order No. E. 3487-89—Edn. 43-25-9, dated 30th December 1925, issuing revised rules and syllabuses of the Mysore Government Commercial Examinations.

2. Letter No. E. 5457 of 27-28, dated 30th December 1927, from the Director of Public Instruction, requesting sanction to his proposals as noted in the accompanying statement for modification of clauses III (i) and III (ii) (3) of the Rules issued with the above Government Order.

ORDER No. D. 8870-71—EDN. 492-27-2, DATED 27TH FEBRUARY 1928.

The proposals of the Director of Public Instruction are sanctioned.

N. RAMA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

Statement showing the modifications in the rules regarding the Mysore Government Commercial Examinations proposed by the Director of Public Instruction and sanctioned by Government.

Clause No.	Existing Rule	Rules as proposed by the Director of Public Instruction and sanctioned by Government
III.	*School Fees.* (i) The fee for admission shall be annas eight per pupil. The school fees for the whole year will be collected in eight equal instalments in the months of June, July, August, September, November, December, February and March. A fine of annas two will be levied if the instalment of fee be not paid on the last due date. The names of pupils who are in arrears of two instalments shall be struck off the roll and they will have to pay a fresh admission fee of annas eight, if they seek re-admission.	III. *School Fees.* (i) The fee for admission shall be annas eight per pupil. The school fees for the whole year which will be divided into two terms as indicated in Rule IV (i) will be collected in eight equal instalments in the months of June, July, August, September, November, December, February and March. A fine of annas two will be levied if the instalment of fees be not paid on the last due date. The names of pupils who are in arrears of two instalments shall be struck off the roll and they will have to pay a fresh admission fee of annas eight, if they seek re-admission.

III. (ii)—(3) Proficiency Course.			III. (ii)—(3) Proficiency Course.		
Subject	Total amount of fees payable for the whole year	Amount of each instalment	Subject	Total amount of fees payable for the whole year	Amount of each instalment
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
(*a*) Type-writing	32	4	(*a*) Type-writing	32	4
(*b*) Short-hand	16	2	(*b*) Short-hand	16	2
			(*c*) The instalment of fee payable by a student taking the proficiency course in *Shorthand* and any one or more of the subjects in the Junior or the Senior Grade or both the grades, will be the total amount of the individual instalments payable for all the subjects elected by him subject to a maximum of Rs. 6.		
			(*d*) The instalment of fee payable by a student taking the proficiency course in *Typewriting* and any one or more of the subjects in the Junior or the Senior Grade or both the grades will be the total amount of the individual instalments payable for all the subjects elected by him, subject to a maximum of Rs. 7.		
			(*e*) The instalment of fee payable by a student taking the proficiency course in Shorthand and Typewriting and any one or more of the subjects in the Junior or the Senior Grade or both the grades, will be the total amount of the individual instalments payable for all the subjects elected by him, subject to a maximum of Rs. 7-8-0.		

All-India Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition.

READ—

Government Order No. D. 5539-98—A. & E. 78-26-6, dated 18th January 1927, sanctioning the holding of an All-India Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition at Mysore in September-October 1927.

2. Government Order No. D. 10353-423—A. & E. 78-26-27, dated 27th May 1927, appointing a Committee with Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur P. Raghavendra Rao, B.A., B.L., Retired Member of Council, as the Chairman, to organise and conduct the Exhibition.

3. Letter No. 960, dated 25—30th November 1927, from the Secretary, Exhibition Committee, Mysore, submitting a report on the All-India Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition held at Mysore in September-October 1927.

ORDER No. D. 9176-246—A. & E. 1-27-116, DATED 7TH MARCH 1928.

Recorded.

2. The last Exhibition held in Mysore was during the Dasara of 1919. Last year, Government recognising the need for reviving the Exhibition, if possible, as an annual feature during the Dasara, sanctioned (in their Government Order No. D. 5539-98—A. & E. 78-26-6, dated 18th January 1927) the holding of an All-India Exhibition in September-October 1927. The Exhibition was held with the object of taking stock of the progress made so far in Agriculture, Arts and Industries in the State, and affording opportunities for comparison with similar activities elsewhere and deriving inspiration for future development.

3. The conduct of the Exhibition was entrusted to a Committee consisting of the marginally noted gentlemen, presided over by Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur P. Raghavendra Rao, B.A., B.L., Retired Member of Council.

MEMBERS.

1. S. G. Forbes, Esq., E. E. B. Sc., Chief Electrical Engineer, Bangalore.
2. G. H. Krumbiegel, Esq., F. R. H. S., Director of Agriculture, Bangalore.
3. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Esq., B. A., B. L., Director of Industries and Commerce, Bangalore.
4. Khan Bahadur A. A. Khan, Agent, Mysore Railways, Mysore.
5. A. V. Ramanathan, Esq., B. A., Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.
6. C. S. Kuppaswami Iyengar, Esq., President, City Municipal Council, Mysore.
7. V. V. Karve, Esq., L. C. E., Executive Engineer, Special Division, Mysore.
8. C. Narasimhaiya, Esq., B. A., B. L., Advocate, Mysore.
9. Dhanakoti Chetty, Esq., Merchant, Mysore.
10. Munivenkatappa, Esq., Contractor, Mysore.
11. G. Mallanna, Esq., Vice-President, District Board, Mysore.
12. Mahamed Sait, Esq., Merchant, Mysore.
13. M. Venkatasubbiah, Esq., Chamber of Commerce, Bangalore.
14. H. Lingaraj Urs, Esq., Durbar Bakshi, Mysore.

SECRETARIES.

1. V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B. A., Assistant Secretary to Government, Bangalore.
2. T. S. Ali Khan, Esq., Honorary Vice-President, City Municipal Council, Mysore.

4. As the Old Exhibition Buildings were no longer suited or available for the purpose, it was decided to hold the Exhibition in the Old Sowar Lines which were altered and adapted at a cost of about Rs. 48,000 to serve permanently as Exhibition Buildings. The Mysore Horse vacated the lines only in the first week of July 1927; and the speedy and efficient manner in which the adaptation was effected is creditable to the officers of the Public Works, the Electrical and other Departments concerned.

5. The Exhibition Office was organised in the first week of July 1927. In spite of the very limited time at disposal, very satisfactory arrangements were made, and the response was so great that some difficulty was experienced in meeting the demand for accommodation and the later applicants had to be denied admission. The Mysore Railways extended to the exhibitors, the concession of booking by goods trains, free of cost, the unsold exhibits of the return journey. The S. I. R., the G. I. P., and the M. & S. M. Railways were good enough to extend similar facilities to the exhibitors over their sections. For this co-operation, acknowledgments of Government are due to respective Railway Administrations.

6. Facilities for unloading, loading and transhipment of exhibits, as also lodging for exhibitors on a small rent, were provided by the Exhibition Authorities. Other facilities in the way of a combined Post and Telegraph Office, a Dispensary with a Scout Ambulance Depot, and Restaurants were also provided on the Exhibition grounds. Special precautions were taken against fire, though, thanks to the efficiency of the arrangements, no occasion arose for using the Fire Hydrants.

7. The Exhibition was informally opened by His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore. All important sections of the Exhibition were well represented, and the exhibits, which were numerous and varied, were of an estimated value of 6½ lakhs of rupees. The Textile, Machinery and Fine Arts Sections in special, were very adequately represented. Machinery was exhibited by representatives of leading firms from all over India. The leading cotton, silk and woollen mills, both in the State and abroad, had sent their wares to the Exhibition. The Fine Arts Gallery was a feature which seemed to meet with special appreciation. Nearly 80,000 persons visited the

Exhibition during the period it was held and exhibitors were able to transact sales to the extent of a little over a lakh of rupees, during this period.

8. At the close of the Exhibition, prizes, comprising gold, silver and bronze medals and certificates of merit were graciously awarded to successful private competitors by His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore. Certificates of honour were also awarded for exhibits displayed by the Departments of the Government of Mysore and by foreign manufacturing firms.

9. Government observe that the financial aspect of the Exhibition was also quite satisfactory. The total expenditure (Revenue Account) including the cost of establishment was Rs. 13,904-9-0 and the realisation from admission fee, stalls and miscellaneous items amounted to Rs. 17,640-15-0, thus resulting in a surplus of Rs. 3,736-7-0. The capital expenditure on account of the adaptation of the Old Sowar Lines for the purpose of the Exhibition was approximately Rs. 48,000.

10. The acknowledgments of Government are due to the Governments of Madras, of Central Provinces and of the Hyderabad State and other foreign administrations concerned, for their co-operation and courtesy in participating in the Exhibition.

11. Government desire to convey their thanks to Rajamantraprivina Diwan Bahadur P. Raghavendra Rao, Chairman, for the readiness with which he responded to their request to take charge of the arrangements connected with the exhibition, at very short notice. Its success was due in no small measure to the thoroughness of his arrangements, and the personal care and attention which he bestowed on them. The efficiency of the management was reflected in the financial result, as well as in the promptness with which accounts were prepared and rendered.

12. Government wish also to place on record their appreciation of the earnest and strenuous work done by the members of the Committee, and the Secretaries, and the efficient assistance rendered by the several Heads of Departments.

N. RAMA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

Committee.

ORDER No. D. 9339-406—E. C. 44-27-1, DATED 8TH MARCH 1928.

As announced in the Dewan's address to the Representative Assembly on the 7th October 1927, the Report on Taxation in Mysore by Mr. N. S. Subba Rao, was placed before the Economic Conference on the 28th of February 1928, and the suggestions contained in it were explained at the meeting by the author who was present by invitation. After a general discussion it was resolved—

"that a Committee be appointed to consider the proposals contained in Mr. N. S. Subba Rao's Report on Taxation in Mysore and to make recommendations as to adjustments that are necessary in order to secure a more even apportionment of the burden, and as to the order of precedence in which new schemes of taxation should be taken up in the event of further revenue being required."

The Conference further resolved that the Committee should consist of the following gentlemen:—

CHAIRMAN.

Sir Charles Todhunter, K.C.S.I., Private Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

MEMBERS.

1. Mr. P. W. O'Brien, Manager, The Bank of Mysore, Ltd., Bangalore.
2. „ N. S. Subba Rao, M.A., Bar.-at-law., Principal, Maharaja's College, Mysore.
3. „ S. Venkatesâiya, B.A., B.L., Advocate, Hassan.
4. „ B. K. Garudachar, Landholder, Chikpet, Bangalore City.
5. „ Rao Bahadur N. S. Nanjundiah, President, District Board, Hassan.
6. „ N. Rama Rao, B.A., B.L., Secretary to Government, Development Departments.

7. Mr. M. S. Linge Gowda, Agricultural Union, Bangalore.
8. „ S. P. Rajagopalachari, B.A., B.L., Income-tax Commissioner in Mysore.
9. „ B. Abdul Rahmon, B.A., President, District Board, Bangalore.
10. Col. P. A. Barton, of Messrs. Barton and Sons, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.
11. Mr. B. Sreenivasa Iyengar, B.A., B.L., Financial Secretary to Government, (also Secretary to the Committee).

Government are pleased to accept the resolutions of the Economic Conference and to appoint a Committee consisting of the gentlemen specified above, to furnish a report to Government on matters referred to them in the terms of the said resolution.

N. RAMA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

GENERAL SECRETARIAT.

Administration Reports.

READ—

The reports on the working of the District Boards in the State, during the year 1926-27 received from the several Presidents of District Boards.

2. The report of the Comptroller on the local audit of the accounts of the District Boards during the same year.

3. Reports from the Revenue Commissioner, regarding the constitution and working of Village Panchayets.

ORDER NO. L. 5206-26—L. B. 91-27-46, DATED 2ND MARCH 1928.

1. *Changes effected in constitution of Local Boards.*—The District Boards, the Taluk Boards and the Village Panchayets functioning at the end of the previous year continued to work under the provisions of the Mysore Local Boards and Village Panchayets Regulation, 1918, till the end of January 1927, when they were abolished in consequence of two new Regulations, namely, the Mysore Village Panchayet Regulation and the Mysore District Boards' Regulation coming into operation from the 1st of February 1927.

2. Under the new Scheme of Local Self-Government embodied in these Regulations, the continuance of Taluk Boards was considered unnecessary and Village Panchayets came under the control and supervision of the Revenue Department of the Government. Action was taken to constitute new District Boards and Village Panchayets in accordance with the rules issued under the new Regulations and the duties heretofore performed by the Taluk Boards mainly devolved on the District Boards concerned constituted under the new District Boards' Regulation.

3. *Village Panchayets.*—The Mysore Village Panchayet Regulation was extended to all the villages in the State outside Municipalities. Under the old rules, women were not qualified to vote at elections of Panchayetdars. This disqualification was removed by the new Regulation which introduced adult suffrage subject to certain disqualifications. The constitution of Panchayets under the new scheme was practically completed during the year, 7,979 Panchayets and 2,618 hamlets having been constituted up to the end of the year out of about 9,046 Panchayets to be constituted for the whole State. Out of 2,578 panchayets empowered to elect their Chairman, 483 exercised the right. In the case of others the Chairmen were appointed by the Deputy Commissioners. Panchayets numbering 2,716 took action to levy taxes under the Regulation and the rules thereunder. Properties and persons liable to taxation under the Regulation being also taxable under the Mohatarfa rules, the abolition of Mohatarfa in the State became necessary. Pending the actual levy of taxes by Panchayets and issue of definite orders regarding abolition of mohatarfa taxes, the income from mohatarfa levied by the State and assigned to the old District Boards was ordered to be placed to the credit of the Village Panchayets concerned. One hundred and eighty-five panchayets in the Tumkur, Kadur and Chitaldrug Districts agreed to contribute weekly labour for works of communal benefit. For the supervision of panchayets, Inspectors of panchayets have been appointed. The pay and allowances of these officers and of the establishment sanctioned in Taluk Offices for attending to the work relating to Village Panchayets are met by the Government.